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Letter dated 15 March 2017 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith humanitarian and information bulletins from the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic for the period 10-15 March 2017 (see annex).

I should be grateful if this letter and its annex could be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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Humanitarian bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (10 March 2017)

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic by the Russian Federation

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides has carried out seven humanitarian operations: six in Aleppo governorate and one in Hama governorate.

In Aleppo city, 1.2 tons of bread and 3,000 portions of hot food were delivered to residents of Khalidiyah, Qadi Askar, Salihin, Bustan al-Qasr, Hamdaniyah-3 and Shaykh Maqsud districts.

Fifty sets of gifts, stationery supplies and children's toys were distributed to children at a school in Ruqaytah, Hama governorate.

Over the past 24 hours, humanitarian assistance has been provided to 3,250 residents. In total, 2.3 tons of humanitarian cargoes have been distributed to the population.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic by international organizations

Russian airplanes parachuted 20.4 tons of humanitarian cargoes (food parcels) to the city of Dayr al-Zawr, which were received by the Syrian authorities through the United Nations.

Information bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (11 March 2017)

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, two ceasefire agreements have been signed with Dar'ah and Duwayrah in Suwayda' governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 1,340.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Damascus, Hama, Homs and Qunaytirah governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire of 27 February 2016 is unchanged — it is still 135.

The number of populated areas which the Syrian government forces have liberated from armed groups of the international terrorist organization Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) remains unchanged at 171.

Over the past 24 hours, government forces have gained control of 20 square kilometres. A total area of 3,066.7 square kilometres has been liberated since 1 January 2017.

Observance of the ceasefire regime

At 0000 hours on 30 December 2016, a ceasefire came into force in accordance with the consolidated agreement on a comprehensive resolution of the Syrian crisis.

The number of Syrian opposition armed groups that have joined the ceasefire regime is 64.

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the consolidated agreement has reported seven violations in the following governorates: four in Damascus, two in Hama and one in Ladhiqiyah.

The Turkish representative office has reported 11 violations in the following governorates: 3 in Damascus, 3 in Aleppo, 2 in Dar'a, 2 in Hama and 1 in Homs.

The Russian representative office has been unable to confirm all 11 violations during its investigations of the incidents.

Information bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (12 March 2017)

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, one ceasefire agreement has been signed with Sumrah in Suwayda' governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 1,341.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Damascus, Hama, Homs and Qunaytirah governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire of 27 February 2016 is unchanged — it is still 135.

The number of populated areas which the Syrian government forces have liberated from armed groups of the international terrorist organization Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) remains unchanged at 171.

Over the past 24 hours, government forces have gained control of 19.8 square kilometres. A total area of 3,086.5 square kilometres has been liberated since 1 January 2017.

Observance of the ceasefire regime

At 0000 hours on 30 December 2016, a ceasefire came into force in accordance with the consolidated agreement on a comprehensive resolution of the Syrian crisis.

The number of Syrian opposition armed groups that have joined the ceasefire regime is still 64.

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the consolidated agreement has reported three violations: two in Damascus governorate and one in Hama governorate.

The Turkish representative office has reported seven violations of the consolidated agreement in the following governorates: three in Damascus, two in Hama, one in Dar'a and one in Ladhiqiyah.

The Russian representative office has been unable to confirm all seven violations during its investigations of the incidents.

Humanitarian bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (12 March 2017)

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic by the Russian Federation

The Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides carried out eight humanitarian operations in the following governorates: six in Aleppo, one in Ladhiqiyah and one in Damascus.

In Aleppo city, 1.2 tons of bread and 3,000 portions of hot food were delivered to residents of Ashrafiyah, Jazmati, Muhammad Bak, Old Aleppo, Salad-al-Ansari and Shaykh Maqsud districts.

One humanitarian operation was carried out in the national hospital of Ladhiqiyah city, during which medicines and 300 food parcels were delivered.

Two hundred food parcels and school kits, and also toys, were delivered to children at a school in Nadi al-Shi'ar district of Damascus city.

Over the past 24 hours, humanitarian assistance has been provided to 3,100 residents. In total, 3.2 tons of humanitarian cargoes have been distributed to the population.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic by international organizations

Over the past 24 hours, the United Nations and partners have continued to provide food, medical, psychological and legal assistance to the Syrian Arab Republic. Work is also still under way to restore infrastructure and provide temporary accommodations to those in need.

Information bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (13 March 2017)

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, two ceasefire agreements have been signed with Majadil and Dur in Suwayda' governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 1,343.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Damascus, Hama, Homs and Qunaytirah governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire of 27 February 2016 is unchanged — it is still 135.

The number of populated areas which the Syrian government forces have liberated from armed groups of the international terrorist organization Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) remains unchanged at 171.

Over the past 24 hours, government forces have gained control of 8.2 square kilometres. A total area of 3,094.7 square kilometres has been liberated since 1 January 2017.

Observance of the ceasefire regime

At 0000 hours on 30 December 2016, a ceasefire came into force in accordance with the consolidated agreement on a comprehensive resolution of the Syrian crisis.

The number of Syrian opposition armed groups that have joined the ceasefire regime is 64.

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the consolidated agreement has not reported any violations.

The Turkish representative office has reported 10 violations in the following governorates: 4 in Hama, 2 in Damascus, 1 in Aleppo, 1 in Dar'a, 1 in Homs and 1 in Idlib.

The Russian representative office has been unable to confirm all 10 violations during its investigations of the incidents.

Humanitarian bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (13 March 2017)

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic by the Russian Federation

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides has carried out two humanitarian operations: one in Aleppo governorate and one in Hama governorate.

In Aleppo governorate, 1.9 tons of bread and 4.5 tons of food parcels and sweets, as well as blankets, bedding and soft toys, were delivered to residents of Ajami district.

Food parcels and children's backpacks containing school kits and were delivered to residents of Qatana in Damascus governorate.

Over the past 24 hours, humanitarian assistance has been provided to 3,340 residents. In total, 7.7 tons of humanitarian cargoes have been distributed to the population.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic by international organizations

Over the past 24 hours, the United Nations and partners have continued to provide medical, psychological and legal assistance to the Syrian Arab Republic. Work is also still under way to restore infrastructure and provide temporary accommodation to those in need.

Information bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (14 March 2017)

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, two ceasefire agreements have been signed with Qassa' and Sarujah in Damascus governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 1,345.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Damascus, Hama, Homs and Qunaytirah governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire of 27 February 2016 is unchanged — it is still 135.

The number of populated areas which the Syrian government forces have liberated from armed groups of the international terrorist organization Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) has increased to 173.

Over the past 24 hours, government forces have gained control of 53.6 square kilometres. A total area of 3,148.3 square kilometres has been liberated since 1 January 2017.

Observance of the ceasefire regime

At 0000 hours on 30 December 2016, a ceasefire came into force in accordance with the consolidated agreement on a comprehensive resolution of the Syrian crisis.

The number of Syrian opposition armed groups that have joined the ceasefire regime is still 64.

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the consolidated agreement has reported one violation in Damascus governorate.

The Turkish representative office has reported 10 violations of the consolidated agreement in the following governorates: 6 in Dar'a, 2 in Aleppo, 1 in Damascus and 1 in Homs.

The Russian representative office has been unable to confirm all 10 violations during its investigations of the incidents.

Humanitarian bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (14 March 2017)

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic by the Russian Federation

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides has carried out two humanitarian operations: one in Ladhiqiyah governorate and one in Suwayda' governorate.

In Ladhiqiyah governorate, sweets, school backpacks and soft toys were delivered to the children of the Sulayb Bahluli childcare centre in Slayeb.

Three hundred food parcels were delivered to residents of Rimat Hazim in Suwayda' governorate.

Over the past 24 hours, humanitarian assistance has been provided to 500 residents. In total, 1.6 tons of humanitarian cargoes have been distributed to the population.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic by international organizations

Over the past 24 hours, the United Nations and partners have continued to provide medical, psychological and legal assistance to the Syrian Arab Republic. Work is also still under way to restore infrastructure and provide temporary accommodation to those in need.

Information bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (15 March 2017)

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, three ceasefire agreements have been signed with Jawbar (Damascus governorate), Sahat Balata (Suwayda' governorate) and Wadi Zahir (Ladhiqiyah governorate).

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 1,348.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Damascus, Hama, Homs and Qunaytirah governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire of 27 February 2016 is unchanged — it is still 135.

The number of populated areas which the Syrian government forces have liberated from armed groups of the international terrorist organization Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) remains unchanged at 173.

Over the past 24 hours, government forces have gained control of 18.5 square kilometres. A total area of 3,166.8 square kilometres has been liberated since 1 January 2017.

Observance of the ceasefire regime

At 0000 hours on 30 December 2016, a ceasefire came into force in accordance with the consolidated agreement on a comprehensive resolution of the Syrian crisis.

The number of Syrian opposition armed groups that have joined the ceasefire regime is 64.

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the consolidated agreement has not reported any violations.

The Turkish representative office has reported 14 violations in the following governorates: 6 in Aleppo, 3 in Dar'a, 3 in Idlib, 1 in Damascus and 1 in Hama.

The Russian representative office has been unable to confirm all 14 violations during its investigations of the incidents.